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Ksenija,

As per our phone conversation, the below highlighted sentence is inaccurate. The discussion in July on antimicrobial treatment was not the treatment of the crumb rubber particles, but the synthetic turf fibers. As discussed, this sentence should be removed.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you,

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Good afternoon to all,

I hope this email finds you well. We have greatly appreciated AstroTurf's support and engagement as we implement the *Federal Research Action Plan on the Use of Tire Crumb on Playing Fields and Playgrounds*. As you may know, by the end of the year, the agencies will release a draft status report that describes the findings and conclusions of the research through that point in time. The status report also will outline additional research needs and next steps.

We're planning to include a preliminary summary of the information we've learned through our outreach and engagement efforts, including the process by which synthetic turf fields are constructed, installed and maintained, in the status report. While we will primarily draw from publically available sources (e.g. reports/studies, web sites, etc.), we would like to include a piece of information you provided us during our conference call in July. As we promised, I am contacting you in advance to provide you with an opportunity to review the personal communication that we would like to cite (highlighted below). Please confirm in an email back to me that the highlighted text is accurate, or provide any edits you wish to make, at your earliest

convenience – but if possible, no later than 11/14. Thank you again. We sincerely appreciate your continued support and engagement on this issue.

“On a small number of fields, tire crumb may be encapsulated with paint (typically green) either for aesthetic purposes or heat control (FieldTurf, n.d.-d; Sprinturf, n.d.). Some field installers also may offer tire crumb products pre-treated with antimicrobial application, but these types of products come at additional cost and have not been in consistent demand (AstroTurf, 2016).”

Best,

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